burden' of the universe; help me bear the little burden of this life." So sang the Rishis of the Upanishads. And man's relation to this tremendous, inalienable, concrete, living Personality is declared to be a relation, of responsibility, of obedience, of voluntary self-subjection, the recognition, of His infinite, absolute authority as the sanction for the sense of duty and righteousness asserting itself in every individual soul. At the same time. He, the Holy Spirit that encircles the universe, He, the Heaven-enshrined One, is proclaimed as the sweet companion that dwells in the human soul being-accessible to every one of His children, and who clearly intends as a central purpose of His universe that we should return His love with the love of children for their father.

By multiplying the love of human hearts for one another in th^ world and by showing Himself the friend and lover of all pure love. He would undoubtedly lead us on, to love Him, the source and fountain of all our best affections. We have never seen Him, never heard His voice. There are many that are blind even to the spiritual vision of Him and who fail to catch the silent speech which utters itself from Him to the quiet heart. And yet He is there, He

is here, fot us
to love and all noblest and best humanity
has loved Him
with deathless fervour. It is at once the
truest and the
most gloriously beautiful solution of the
riddle of the universe
to believe that God has knit it together in
the bonds of law
and breathed into it spiritual life to the
end, above all other
ends, that it may sustain countless
myriads of spiritual
beings who shall love one another
faithfully and well and
love their God with all their heart and
mind, soul and strength.

Accordingly, upon manifold tokens of
His affectionate
bounty and not upon bare fear or
authority, God desires to
form a union and intimacy with the
human soul. As we
love, our parents from whom we derived
our being, sustenance
and protection, while we stood in need
and ever after cherish
unchanging and undying love, so God
would have us love